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BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation for Authority to  
Construct an 83 MW Electric Generating Facility at the Pulliam Power  
Plant, Green Bay, Wisconsin 6690-CE-184

Application of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, as a Gas Public  
Utility, for Authority to Construct a Natural Gas Main to Serve the  
Pulliam Power Plant in the City of Green Bay, Brown County,  
Wisconsin 6690-CG-149

**NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS**

**THIS IS AN INVESTIGATION** to consider the April 29, 2002, application of Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC) for authority under Wis. Stat. § 196.49 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 112 to construct an 83 MW electric generating facility at its existing Pulliam power plant in the city of Green Bay, Brown County, Wisconsin, and for authority, under Wis. Stat. § 196.49 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 133, to construct an associated natural gas pipeline in the village of Howard and the city of Green Bay, Brown County, Wisconsin that would provide natural gas to the generator.

WPSC, an investor-owned electric and natural gas public utility as defined in Wis. Stats. § 196.01(5)(a), provides electric and natural gas service in north and northeastern Wisconsin and in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

The proposed electric generating facility consists of a gas-fired, simple cycle, 83 MW combustion turbine that will operate 500 to 1,700 hours per year and ancillary facilities. Additional natural gas facilities are needed to supply natural gas to the proposed Pulliam combustion turbine project. WPSC proposes to construct a 12-inch diameter steel gas line to serve the proposed power plant. The WPSC gas line would be approximately 4.2 miles long. The new WPSC gas line would start at WPSC's existing high-pressure gas distribution system at the Taylor regulation station. The estimated total cost to purchase and install both the proposed electric generation and gas pipeline facilities is \$40,906,020.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

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This is a Type II action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(2). It consequently requires the preparation of an environmental assessment to determine whether an environmental impact statement is necessary under Wis. Stat. § 1.11. Persons wishing to comment on environmental aspects of the proposed project should contact Sarah Jenkins at (608) 266-3900.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Other questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator James B. Petersen at (608) 267-2190.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, \_\_\_\_\_

By the Commission:

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Lynda L. Dorr  
Secretary to the Commission

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